

## KANEOHE NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 30

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2006 BENJAMIN PARKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Larry Zdvoracek called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m. A quorum was present.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Clyde Morita, Patty Yamashiro – Hironaka, John R. Sabas, Wendell Lum, Roy Yanagihara, Paul M. Friel, John M. Flanigan, Glenn S. Ida, Larry Zdvoracek, Bill Sager.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rick J. Karasaki, Niko Koga, Felipe San Nicolas, and Elizabeth Gaisthia.

GUESTS: Stan Koki, Joline Chang, Darren Reed, Clyde and Kay Hishinuma, Paul and Margaret Stevens (Church of Nazarene); Janine Tully (Representative Pono Chong's Office), Captain Paul Kato (Honolulu Fire Department, Kaneohe Station), Lt. Robert Robinson, Major Janna Mizuo and Sgt. Michael Moses, (Honolulu Police Department, District 4), Kenneth Hope, Eloise Yano, Steve Cayetano (U.S. Congressman Ed Case's Office), Enrique Subiono, James Chow, Ashley Crowell (Castle High School Student Council), Cleveland Dedrick, Cory DeJesus (DOE Business), Alan Tarumo (Genesyu Design Group), Shannon Wood (Windward Ahupua'a Alliance), Sarah Fry (MCBH), Mahealani Cypher and Leiahloha Rocky Kaluhiwa (Koolaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club), Jerry Kaluhiwa, Su Shin (Board of Water Supply), Janette Magales (KCN), Pammy and Todd Tanabe, Lester Chang (Mayor's Office), Katherine Thomason (Governor's Office), Venus Acoba (Councilmember Barbara Marshall's Office, Keith Kurahashi (Kusao & Kurahashi), Ann Kurahashi, Nola J. Frank (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

# **FILLING OF VACANCIES:**

**Subdistrict 1 –** There were no interested persons present to fill the vacancy.

**Subdistrict 11 –** There were no interested persons present to fill the vacancy.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 2006 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: The following corrections/additions were made:

Page 1, Guests add, "...Cliff Ziems..."

Page 6, Councilmember Barbara Marshall:

- #1 should read, "...Upcoming Capital Improvement Project (CIP) budget item is an upgrade to increase capacity at the Kaneohe Pumping Station..."
- #4 should read, "...Money was put in last year for a consultant to design the storm drain for Duncan Drive, which has been promised for forty (40 years). Administration plans are for construction to begin in two years. The Councilmember has submitted an amendment to initiate construction this year..."
- #8 should read. "The next 3 Talk will be held in Kaneohe next Monday night. She pointed out that at the last two sessions no one in the Kaneohe district attended..."

Yanagihara moved seconded by Flanigan to accept the March 2006 regular meeting minutes as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY AND MILITARY REPORT:**

Honolulu Police Department – Lt. R. Robinson reported the following:



- 1) Statistics for March 2006 included burglary 20, other property thefts 35, thefts from vehicle 24, robbery 1, and auto/motorcycle theft 13.
- 2) The increase in auto thefts was due to people from Aiea, Pearl City and Ewa Beach stealing cars in the Kaneohe area. As reported in February, the Pearl City Crime Reduction Unit notified District 4 of the suspected car thieves in the Kaneohe area.
- 3) In one case several males were arrested, admitted to the crime and were found in a stolen in a vehicle and noted they call themselves "the Grand Auto Theft Gang."
- 4) Arrests were made when 13 cars were spray-painted.
- New District 4 Major Janna Mizuo and Captain Michael Moses were introduced.

Lt. Robinson, Major Mizuo and Captain Moses were thanked for attending the meeting.

# **Honolulu Fire Department** – Captain Paul Kato reported the following:

- Statistics for March 2006 included 3 structure fires, emergencies medical 63, search/rescue 3, and miscellaneous 35 (14 flooded conditions/water evacuation incidents). Unusual incidents due to flooding occurred on March 1 2 severe flooding from Kahalu'u to Waihole involving 10 fire companies; March 19 flooding at Namoku Street and Heeia Street; March 30 flooding in the 600 block of Kamehameha Highway.
- 2) Fire Safety Tip: Cooking fires are the leading cause of home fires and the second major cause of death among older adults. If you are cooking and must leave the kitchen, even for only a few minutes, turn off the stove. Keep a fire extinguisher (with a minimum rating of 2A10BC) in or near your kitchen and learn how to use it. Inspect the fire extinguisher regularly to ensure that it has not expired.

Captain Kato was thanked for attending the meeting.

# Marine Corps Base Hawaii – Sarah Fry reported the following:

- 1) April 18, 2006: Hawaii Medal of Honor Ceremony Several Marines were among 120 military service members with Hawaii ties honored in this ceremony in the House Chambers of the State Capitol to honor service members killed in combat in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. The Governor and legislators were thanked for honoring these soldiers.
- 2) April 25, 2006: ANZAC Day commemoration, National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific at 11:00 a.m.
- 3) April 27, 2006: Opening Day Ceremonies (invitation only), Battleship Memorial, starting at 6:00 p.m.
- 4) Log on to <a href="http://www.cochawaii.com">http://www.cochawaii.com</a>.

Sarah Fry was thanked for attending the meeting.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT - Deferred.

#### **PUBLIC INPUT & RESIDENTS' CONCERNS:**

**Board of Water Supply** (BWS): Su Shin of BWS gave the following update: Due to uncontrollable cost increases to BWS, a water rate increase of 10-15 percent is planned. The increase is needed to recover costs for everyday business, such as replacement of infrastructure. Currently consumers are charged a block rate of \$1.77 per 1,000 gallons of water for typical household use. There have been no water rate increases for 11 years. BWS continues to be pro-active with repairs.

Questions, answers and comments followed:

1) Board of Water Supply is semi-autonomous and is a separate entity from the City's Department Environmental Services (ENV). The Department of Environmental Services has jurisdiction over the sewer system. BWS is only responsible for billing for sewer charges, which is based on the amount of water used.

Friel mentioned last June City Council voted on sewer rates, which would go up by 25% the next fiscal year.

2) Lum said in the past years BWS had surplus revenues. He requested a copy of the BWS operations budget for the last couple of years. Shin replied she would provide him with a copy of the operation budget. She noted there are no surplus revenues and BWS is not a non-profit entity. Revenue costs collected is enough for everyday expenses. A thirty to ninety day cash reserve would be good to have. Surplus reserves from the late 1990's to the early 2000's have been used for lots of infrastructure at that time.

Su Shin was thanked for attending the meeting.

House Concurrent Resolution 278 House Draft 1, relating to cultural preserves in Haiku Valley and North Halawa Valley – Mahealani Cypher and Leialoha Rocky Kaluhiwa of the Koolaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club were seeking Board support of this House Concurrent Resolution.

Cypher reported the resolution has passed the House and crossed over to the Senate. The end product would result with a cultural mitigation plan for Haiku Valley and North Halawa Valley. Funding was previously set aside, and now is the time for implementation of the plan.

Flanigan moved and seconded by Yanagihara in support of House Concurrent Resolution 278 House Draft 11. Discussion followed:

- 1) Board member Sabas (representing subdistrict 3) stated Haiku residents have concerns relative to the Haiku Stairs, as well as all activities being proposed and approved for the area.
- 2) Cypher informed all present that Kamehameha Schools recently applied for a zone change application for a planned preschool at the bottom of the valley. The hearing is scheduled for May 3, 2006. She also heard a Buddhist Temple would built on the site of a heiau in the valley. The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands has also approved a lease for a charter school.
- 3) Sabas said the community would be impacted with the increase of traffic going through the community. Safety concerns have also been raised. Cypher replied a non-Hawaiian was given a license to a parcel of land to use as a healing center. The lessee works at drug rehabilitation centers, and she suggested he be invited by the Board to do a presentation.
- 4) The Charter School would be a large traffic factor.
- 5) Cypher mentioned the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and the working group is asking for a passive park. The goal is to use Haiku Road as an access and is asking that the access road be reopened. The traffic would be in back of the houses.
- 6) Sabas asking what would happen if the issue were delayed until next year. The response was individual testimonies would be accepted.
- 7) Sabas requested this item be placed on the May agenda to allow Haiku residents to give their input.
- 8) Shannon Wood mentioned the draft resolution was amended at a public hearing today, and was referred to the Land and Water Committee.
- 9) Kaluhiwa noted part of the plan was to include the community. She stated there is opposition to the temple.
- 10) ) Sager supports a passive park.

Morita objected the inappropriateness to consider a motion without proper agenda notice. Per the "sunshine law" he stated the Board is in violation.

Morita moved and seconded by Friel to table the motion. The motion failed to carry, 8-1-0. A vote of 9 is needed for a motion to pass. Flanigan withdrew the motion, and Yanagihara agreed.

Chair Zdvoracek invited Cypher and Kaluhiwa to attend the Board's Agenda Planning & Committees' meeting on May 2, 2006, Kaneohe Community and Senior Center, at 7 p.m.

Mahealani Cypher and Leialoha "Rocky" Kaluhiwa were thanked for attending the meeting.

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:** There were no community announcements.

#### **ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORT:**

Mayor's Representative - Lester Chang, of the Mayor's Office, gave the following report:

- 1) In response to a concern raised last month relative to vehicles parked on a public street for days at a time, citizens should report these vehicles to the 911 operators with a description of the vehicle (make, model, color, license number, and location). They are also encouraged to meet with the officer to obtain the results of the officer's check on the vehicles. Several vehicles were marked as abandoned. Officers did not observe any other violations.
- 2) In response to conflicting answers given to Board member Lum and Councilmember Barbara Marshall from the O'ahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO) regarding including Kaneohe in the O'ahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP) 2030, the Department of Transportation Services supports the concept of a transit center in Kaneohe. However, the community needs to reach its consensus on where the center should be located OMPO can then reflect the correct facility and the cost in the ORTP. The location of a Kaneohe Center may have been part of one of the phases for the original hub-and-spoke study. The current ORTP draft contains "Project No. 508" entitled "Transit Centers: Various Locations." Current proposed ORTP project item to be funded is for \$30 million. This project, while not being explicit about locations, certainly would cover a Kaneohe Transit Center as well as other island-wide transit centers.
- 3) All of the sewer spills in the Kaneohe area were caused by inflow/infiltration problems. A lot of rainwater entered into the sewer system through various means and overtaxed the capacity of the lines. Typically rainwater enters into the system through leaky pipe joints, broken pipes, defective manholes and illegal connections such as roof and yard drains. Leaks in the pipes occur in the city-controlled portion of the sewers as well as from homeowner's sewer laterals. The following City projects are addressing problem in the City lines Alii Shores Sewer Rehabilitation, Kahanahou Circle Sewer Rehabilitation, Kaneohe Bay Drive Trunck Sewer Reconstruction, Kailua/Kaneohe Sewer Manhole and Pipe Structural Rehabilitation, and Kailua/Kaneohe Sewer Rehabilitation. In addition to this, the City is planning to restart the smoke testing efforts in areas where they are experiencing wet weather spills to locate public and private defects in the system where water may be entering. Advance notices will be given to communities. All Permitting permit requests are assessed and this determines whether a sewer line has adequate capacity to accept flows from developments, if lines are determined to be under capacity, the developer has the option of providing the necessary capacity (construct new lines or relief lines) to provide the necessary capacity to accommodate the development.
- 4) With the Mayor's "Honolulu News" circulated Chang highlighted the following:
  - Recent grand opening of the Honolulu Zoo's new Keiki Zoo, where visitors can get up close to animals ranging from fish and guinea pigs to horses and cows.
  - Ala Moana Regional Park will be closed from April 25 to 27 for comprehensive maintenance. Sister Roberta Derby Park located next to the Alapai Headquarters of the Honolulu Police Department was offered to the homeless who needed a place to sleep at night. Mayor Hannemann called for assistance from the state as well as service providers and Hawaii's religious community.
  - The Honolulu Police Department became only the second police department in the nation to receive the prestigious TRI-ARC Excellence Award from the Commission for Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies. The award was earned by meeting CALEA's stringent standards in law enforcement, communications and training.

- Ten hybrid buses have been outfitted with Spring EVDO wireless technology to being a five-week pilot project (April 3 to May 5), on the Route A CityExpress, which runs from Waipahu to the University of Hawaii.
- The 79<sup>th</sup> Annual May Day festival, is scheduled for May 1 at the Waikiki Bandstand from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Entertainers include Kapena, Makaha Sons, Honua, Cazimero Brothers, along with cultural and art festivities.

Questions, answers and comments followed:

- 1) Lum commented the homeless situation (from Ala Moana Park) should have been discussed prior to the shut down of the park with other public agencies. He asked if the State has come forward with ideas to accommodate the homeless. Chang clarified the closing of Ala Moana Park was not done for the Family Festival, but for comprehensive maintenance (his office receives many complaints from the community that Ala Moana is their favorite park). A plan for the work was established, which accelerated the closure based on concerns. It was previously announced that the park would be closed maintenance. Chang stated, as the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, his job is to provide clean and safe parks for all to use.
- 2) Sager mentioned the sewers and roads are obvious problems when heavy rains occur.

**Councilmember Barbara Marshall** – Venus Acoba, aide to Councilmember Marshall, distributed the April written report and highlighted/added the following:

- 1) Councilmember Marshall regrets she cannot be here this evening due to the Budget Committee having its public hearing today.
- 2) Mayor Hannemman has advised the Councilmember that the crosswalk fronting Star Market on Kamehameha Highway will be removed soon.
- 3) The Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing next month on the request by Kamehameha Schools to put a preschool on the vacant lot in Haiku Village. Kamehameha Schools is pursuing its request to rezone from preservation to R-7.5, which would permit residences at some later time. Councilmember Marshall has asked that they request Ag zoning, which still would have permitted the day care center. The Planning Commission hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, May 3, at 1:30 p.m. in the Human Resources Conference Room, City Hall Annex. Copies of the hearing notice were available for interested persons to review.
- 4) Applications for tax remission were provided for homeowners who experienced damage during the recent heavy rains.
- 5) The next 3 TALK is on Wednesday, May 3, at the Waimanalo Library. Acoba noted that the Councilmember would be scheduling future 3 Talks in Kaneohe. It was indicated last month the prior two 3 TALKs in Kaneohe. Has no attendance, but there was a good turnout for the March meeting as well as for the April 3 meeting in Kailua.

Venus Acoba was thanked for attending the meeting.

Governor's Representative – Katherine Thomason gave the following report:

- 1) Thanked Ed Teixeira and Danny Tengan of the Hawaii Civil Defense for doing a presentation this evening.
- 2) Follow up The Kulana Nani Apartments clotheslines would be installed May 1, 2006.
- 3) The Highways Program continues work on the Likelike Tunnel to Kamehameha Highway; Castle Junction to H-3 Freeway; and short off-ramp near the H-3 Freeway.

Questions, answers and comments followed:

- 1) Morita furnished a complaint from constituents regarding an electronic sign in the median near St. Marks Lutheran Church. It is blocked by trees and is not visible until the driver is right up to it. Morita requested having the trees trimmed or the sign be located so that it is easily read.
- 2) State highway sign blocked by coconut trees located between Likelike Highway and Ben Parker Elementary School, across from St. Marks Church on Kamehameha Highway. It was requested that either the trees be trimmed or the sign be located so that it is easily read. Follow up will be done.
- 3) Repair of potholes on the Pali Highway in the town-bound direction will be starting soon.

Katherine Thomason was thanked for attending the meeting.

**U.S. Congressman Ed Case** – Steve Cayetano circulated the written report, which included the Congressman's thoughts on the issue of immigration. Cayetano mentioned Congressman Case is on island this week and will be leaving on Saturday.

Questions, answers and comments followed: Shannon Wilson asked if the Congressman would be supporting the immigration bill.

Steve Cayetano was thanked for attending the meeting.

**Senator Bob Hogue** – No representative was present.

**Senator Clayton Hee** – No representative was present.

Representative Ken Ito - No representative was present.

**Representative Pono Chong** – Janine Tully circulated Rep. Pono Chong's written report and highlighted/added the following:

- 1) Kamehameha Highway crosswalk In response to safety concerns from constituents, Rep. Chong introduced House Concurrent Resolution 262 requesting the Department of Transportation to install a lighted crosswalk with reflector strips at the crosswalk fronting Star Market on Kamehameha Highway. The resolution passed the House and is in the Senate. A notice was received from the City that the Department of Parks and a Recreation would be trimming trees between Lilipuna and Haiku Roads to improve crosswalk visibility. However, Rep. Chong recently found out that the City would be removing the crosswalk for safety reasons.
- 2) Sidewalks Rep. Chong has secured funds in the House to build and improve sidewalks along Lilipuna Road and Waikalua Road.
- 3) Castle High School Over 300 Kaneohe residents signed a petition generated by his office requesting Governor Lingle to release \$3 million for the construction of the high school's cafeteria. The petition also asks the governor to release \$780,000 for the construction of a track. In addition, Richard Haru, Athletic Director for the school, collected more than 1,000 signatures.
- 4) Kawai Nui Marsh HB 3056 HD2 SD2, relating to the transfer of Kawai Nui Marsh to the State has passed both houses and is headed for the conference committee. The bill requires the City to transfer the marsh to the State as well as provide for general revenues to be allocated to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for maintenance, including the levee and drainage system. A conference on this matter is scheduled for next week.
- 5) Nissan Dealership Lights The City Department of Planning and Permitting recently cited King Nissan car dealership for violating the City's commercial lighting code. It was determined the lights were "illuminating" residential homes and the dealership was asked to put shades on its parking lot lights to mitigate the brightness. City officials are working with the dealership to solve the problem.

Questions, answers and comments followed: a) Lum commented he would like to see the sidewalks happen. Tully replied special U.S. Department of Transportation funds are available for improvements to roads and sidewalks that link schools.

## **COMMUNITY GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS:**

Hawaii Pacific University - No representative was present.

Hope Chapel - A representative was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

#### **Civil Defense and Emergency Preparedness:**

**Resolution** – Board member Sager read the resolution that the Kaneohe Neighborhood Board No. 30 urges the Governor of the state of Hawaii and the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, and all elected officials to State legislature and City Council of the City and County of Honolulu adopt and implement all necessary legislative and other appropriate measures within their governmental authority to present, mitigate and manage the effects of a natural disaster to include but not limit to the following:

- Design all new public buildings hereafter to be constructed, whenever feasible and appropriate, to be suitable for use as shelters be designed to withstand a Class III hurricane; and
- Specify that all public buildings designated for shelters be hardened to be structurally safe in a Class III hurricane; and
- Designate all serving Neighborhood Board Members become Civil Defense Certified as emergency responders, and
- o That Civil Defense be adequately funded sufficient to promote their Disaster Response training programs; and
- That appropriate legislation be enacted to encourage private homeowners to harden their homes to the greatest extent practical and
- That appropriate legislation be enacted to encourage condominiums and hotels to develop secure shelters for guests, employees, and employee families and to have emergency preparedness plans.

Discussion followed: Lum amended the resolution to included whereas, residents should know which flood zone they live in. b) Yanagihara requested the State Civil Defense presentation commence and included it with the discussion. There were no objections.

## Civil Defense and Emergency Preparedness: State Civil Defense – Ed Teixeira presented the following:

- 1) To withstand major hurricane impacts it was recommended that homeowners could upgrade windows with storm screens, laminates, or shutters; upgrade doors with a six point contact rather than four; secure skylights and roof vents, etc.
- 2) The use and occupancy of an emergency shelter density is based on "net usable floor area (space that could actually be occupied by a person)." Features include one toilet per 50 people.
- 3) Plans are being proposed to have emergency shelters for persons with special needs, which would include those who are independent but living with a caregiver, possibly oxygen users, and those needing acute care. Persons needing to evacuate to a special need shelter would have to first of all register, and have an alternate system for the hearing impaired.
- 4) Development of shelters would be developed by a consultant to provide training programs for shelter management, inventory the congregate call centers and social service agencies, public awareness for persons with disabilities, etc.
- 5) Shelter plans are also being proposed for the pet population. O'ahu has approximately 568,525 pet (dogs/cats); Windward O'ahu estimates are 151,976, with 27% from Waimanalo to Kahalu'u.
- 6) Current emergency shelters are not up to code.

Danny Tengan presented a Hurricane Program Planner and highlighted/added the following:

- Flood disaster occurred from February 20 through April 2. Devastation was caused by Kona low winds resulting in a disaster declaration. The disaster destroyed 10 resident homes, 130 homes and properties were damaged, and 43 experienced minor flooding.
- 2) Situated at Fort Shafter, the Pacific Civil Defense Office is in charge of the entire Pacific area. If a disaster happens, they bring FEMA in to anticipate our requirements. FEMA rules on the big issues, and the City and State takes care of the small matters.
- 3) A major problem is identified as having one foot of mud or water in a home. The rains may have impacted more than 1,000 residents, but not all damage was reported.
- 4) Relative to the flooding happening on the first floor of Kahala Mall, approximately 50 businesses had no flood insurance covering their contents.
- 5) Effects by flooding in Kaneohe included 1 business and 31 residences; daily calls are received relative to flood damage from the recent heavy rains.

Emergency Shelters: Danny Tengan reported from his experience with assisting with victims of Hurricane Katrina, he stated going to a shelter with eight to ten thousand people is chaotic. An emergency shelter is defined as a building with an empty room. Anyone one seeking an emergency shelter should bring with them water (72 hours or for 5-6 days), food, bedding, medicine and any other personal items they may need for their stay. The Red Cross here has for five percent of the population in its warehouse; not enough to accommodate all the people island wide. As previously mentioned, the definition of a shelter is a building. The mission of the Civil Defense, is the Hawaii retrofit mission program, and a uniform building code with a minimum withstanding of hurricane winds up to 80 miles per hour.

Questions, answers and comments followed:

- 1) The State should be able to survive category 3 hurricanes. The legislature will be asked for funding to address current level of shelters for now and the future and retrofit schools to withstand up 150 miles per hour winds.
- 2) Act 5 (2005), provides to a tax credit of up to 35% or \$2,100 for retrofitting one's home against hurricane disasters.
- 3) A new Red Cross report shows 15 square feet would be allowed per standing person at the shelters.
- 4) A comment stated people had a hard time understanding the impact of category 3 hurricanes. In response the worst scenario was the absence of data showing category 5 hurricanes near Hawaii. Six years ago Matson received a \$200,000 grant for power equipment in the event of a disaster. The capabilities are improving daily
- 5) Relative to the thirty-day waiting period for purchasing flood insurance, due to the economic conditions we face, the Hawaii Uniform Building Code lags behind. A task force is assigned to inspect public buildings

Sabas called for the question due to residents waiting to hear another agenda item.

Sabas moved and seconded by Sage in support of the Civil Defense and Emergency Preparedness amended to include input from presentation given by Ed Teixeira and Danny Tengan. The motion carried unanimously, 10-0-0.

Crosswalk at Kamehameha Highway near Star Market – Previously reported. Board member Ida will follow up if either the bus stop will be removed or relocated.

Windward Nissan residents' Lights Complaint - Previously reported.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

Kaneohe Nazarene Church Building Permit – Keith Kurahashi of Kusao and Kurahashi, resented the following: The Kaneohe Nazarene Church located at 45-532 Puaae Road (tax map key: 4-5-84:4 & tax map key 4-5-48:2) is applying

for a Conditional Use Permit for the proposed improvements to the existing school and is seeking Board support. The applicant plans to improve the existing church and school complex by demolishing a number of existing buildings and replacing them with more up-to-date facilities. The existing sanctuary, parsonage, play court and portion of the existing two-story school building will be demolished. The Church proposes to build a multipurpose building, a two-story classroom building with underground parking and landscaping. A height variance will be sought from the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) to allow the multipurpose room to be constructed to a height of 30 feet; the allowable height is 25 feet. The total existing floor area on the project is currently 18,308 square feet, and the total proposed floor area will be 27,919 square feet. The current footprint is 10,539 square feet, and the proposed footprint will be 16,355 square feet. Ingress and egress to the church and school facilities will be via Puaae Road. A new driveway will be fronting Mokulele Drive. This new driveway will be constructed from a portion of Tax Map Key: 4-5-84:4 and 4-5-48:2. A total of 25 marked parking spaces currently exist on the site. A total of 70 parking spaces are planned for the improved project. This would include 28 underground parking spaces and 42 marked spaces. During Sunday services and special events, an additional 46 vehicles would be accommodated on-site through theater parking for a total of 116 parking spaces. A combination loading zone and bus bay is also proposed for the new development. The proposed gym will be set back from the property line. The church and a resident would share an easement. Questions, answers and comments followed:

- 1) A receipt of a letter from a neighbor of the church was given to the Board expressing concerns relative to the church and the adverse impacts to their quality of life.
- A height variance would be need for the additional five feet for the new gym, which will have a set back of 20 feet from the property line. The Department of Planning and Permitting requires drainage be contained on the property.
- 3) Another resident living north side of the church expressed drainage concerns.
- 4) In response to a resident, Pastor Reed said it was agreed upon there would no further future expansion. Once complete, the multipurpose building would be available for rental use by community groups. Kurahashi stated if any changes are done in the future the process must start over again, starting with the speaking with the neighbors.
- 5) Concern was raised relative to the increase of traffic to the area.
- 6) The multipurpose building would also be utilized for basketball, volleyball, Sunday Church services, etc. It is not designed to have competition games, which will continue to be held outdoors.
- 7) The proposed expansion would be done in phases. Construction time frame is based on funding.
- 8) Two adjacent lots to the property are residential and owned by the Church.
- 9) Lum asked if a night closure time would be imposed on those using the multipurpose building. A resident added there is law stating no noise after 10 p.m.
- 10) Sabas asked the projected timeline for submitting the plans to DPP, because there are still legitimate concerns being raised by the neighbors. Kurashashi replied it is an on-going process. There is enough time to (45-90 days) left on the project before DPP reacts. He will continue to meet with the neighbors regarding their concerns, and will still go forward with the process.
- 11) This item will be place on the May agenda for further discussion/action.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:** There were no committee reports.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- The next Agenda Planning & Committees' meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 2, 2006 at Kaneohe Community and Senior Center, 7:00 p.m.
- Next Regular Board Meeting will take place at the Windward Community College, Akoakoa Room on Thursday, May 18, 2006, at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT – Ida moved and Yanagihara seconded to adjourn the meeting.** There were no objections. The meeting was adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

Submitted by,

Nola J. Frank, Neighborhood Assistant Reviewed by Chair Larry Zdvoracek & Secretary Patty Yamashiro-Hironaka